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Question: How does Angus take control of his own identity?

Please respond in analytical paragraph format.

(1: Topic Sentence)\_\_ In “A Brief Moment in the Life of Angus Bethune” by Chris Crutcher, Angus takes control of his own identity by going to the dance even though he knew his election as Senior Winter Ball King was a prank.

(2a: Context of Quote) When getting ready for the dance,

(2b: Quote Intro) Angus tells readers how he initially felt about being elected king: (2c: Quote) “At first I tried to turn it down, but Grandad let me know right quick I’d draw a lot more attention if I made a fuss than if I acted as if I were the logical choice” (2d: Page Reference) (5). (2e: Analysis) 1. If Angus wanted to turn this down originally, he must have been embarrassed.

2. Being crowned king as a joke would be a very humiliating experience, especially for someone that is already rather self –conscious and insecure.

3. But Angus’s grandfather is right; holding his head up and attending the dance is the way for him to show those kids that their jokes do not affect him.

4. Angus takes control of the situation and therefore becomes in control of his own identity by being proud of who he is no matter what.

5. He will not be bullied or intimidated by other kids, and the way to prove that is by attending the dance and acting as if he is “the logical choice.”

(3: Concluding Sentence) Angus will not be defined by the stereotypes placed on him by others; he will create his own identity and make himself proud.